GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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REGIONAL COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMIC PARTNERSHIP
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has made a two tier proposal at the Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has also offered wider duty eliminations to the ASEAN countries in the Trade Block and a lower market access to the five non-ASEAN members; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) (SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

a) to d): In the ongoing Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) negotiations, participating Countries are discussing ways to address sensitivities in tariff modalities under Trade in Goods. The modalities are under deliberation and have not been finalized yet.